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COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Sir:

The Notice of Allowability mailed August 11, 2006 included, as an attachment, a statement of reasons for allowance.

However, not all of the noted patentable features are recited in the independent claims. For example, the independent claims do not recite that any voltage is "supplied from outside of [the] printhead." Nevertheless, Applicant respectfully submits that each of the pending claims is allowable for its combination of claimed features.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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